IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Hagan Bayley et al. Art Unit : 1631
Serial No. : New Examiner : J. Lundgren
Filed : February 15, 2001
Title : DESIGNED PROTEIN PORES AS COMPONENTS FOR BIOSENSORS

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

At page 1, delete lines 5-7, and after line 10, insert

--Cross-Reference to Related Applications

This application is a continuation of U.S. application Serial No. 09/122,583, filed on July 24, 1998, which claims priority from U.S. provisional application erial No. 60/053,737, filed on July 25, 1977, both of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.--

At page 2, line 5, after "amino" (first occurrence), insert --acid--.

At page 10, line 30, replace "acid" with --acids--.

At page 11, line 22, replace "e.g," with --e.g.,--.

At page 11, line 26, replace "αHLis" with --αHL is--.

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REMARKS

This preliminary amendment corrects minor typographical errors and updates priority information.

Applicant submits that all of the claims are now in condition for examination, which action is requested. No fees are believed due. However, please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing attorney docket number 07919-062002.

Respectfully submitted,

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